

We need your help!

Public Meeting SAVE NETHERTON PRIMARY SCHOOL Monday 22nd April, 7.30pm

THIS MONDAY EVENING at 7.30pm Education Department officials will address a public meeting at Netherton School. They will be there to listen to what local people have to say about their intention to *close* Netherton.

Believe it or not, local councillors Eddie Devine, Christine Devine and Pat Lally voted last month *to close 21 schools* throughout Glasgow. If Netherton school closes, small children will have to cross a dual carriageway and a main road to Castleton Primary. We believe the journey to be dangerous, and wonder if the same councillors and officials would be so quick to take risks with their own children's lives. We think children's lives are more important than money. If officials and councillors really are trying to save money through cuts, why dont *they* try taking a cut in *their* wages and expenses.

Support the Occupation

For the last 3 weeks, parents and children have been occupying Netherton school 7 days a week, 24 hours a day. We are determined to stop the school closing but we need *your* help.

What you can do

- Attend Monday night's meeting (please try to be there for 7.00pm if possible).
- Come and visit us in the school.
- Bring coffee, tea and biscuits etc — but mostly yourself!

On Monday night the local minister Rev. Bob Anderson will be helping to present our case to keep Netherton open. If everyone in the area supports us and attends Monday night's meeting we can change the decision to close Netherton Primary. Remember if we close Netherton school we lose our last community resource. As you know we do not even have any shops left in our area.

If you think your area is getting a raw deal and are fed up with our local amenities being taken away—dont moan about it—join us in the fight to keep Netherton open, and perhaps we can start to turn things round.

We need your help—but most importantly *the children of Netherton Primary School* need your help.

Please dont let them down.

SAVE OUR SCHOOLS & SERVICES

On Tuesday 5th March in the City Chambers, in George Square, the Labour Party dominated council passed a budget that will close schools, old folks homes, raise rents & council tax, and cut public services to shreds.

Castlemilk councillors Pat Lally and Eddie & Christine Devine were among those who voted for the cuts. "It's all the Tories fault!" bleat the Labour councillors. Well that excuse is just not on. The people of Scotland voted overwhelmingly for Labour at every election, and our spineless councillors & M.P.'s have betrayed their trust. Working class people expected them to fight for and protect their interests. Instead all the Labour cowards have done is the Tories dirty work.

TIME TO FIGHT BACK!

What should we do?

It's obvious our Labour councillors are worse than useless. It will snow in hell before they protect our interests. If we want to fight the Tories we will have to organise ourselves to stop these cuts and closures; Occupy schools as some communities are already doing; and contact and work with council workers who have been threatened with wage cuts & redundancies.

Anyone in Castlemilk and surrounding areas interested in joining the "Save our Schools & Services" campaign contact:

**Phil McPhee
7 Drakemire Avenue
631-2448**

Or come to an organising meeting on:-

**Thursday 4th April
Jeely Piece Club Resource Centre
39 Arnprior Road, Castlemilk**

THE CUTS

Thank to the lack of fight from our Labour councillors, some of the cuts will mean:

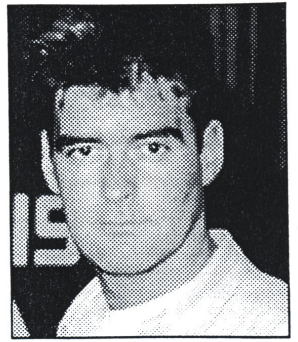
- **Closure of 21 schools**
- **Closure of homes for the elderly**
- **Closure of day centres for the elderly**
- **Closure of 12 community education centres and 2 outdoor centres**
- **Reduction in pre-5 services**
- **Nursing home spending cut**
- **Increase in home-help charges**
- **School meals increased**
- **Cuts in grants to community projects**
- **Closure of Dixon Halls, Govan Town Hall and Haggs Castle museum**
- **Closing all museums and libraries one day a week**
- **Increased charges for sports centres and swimming pools**
- **Reduction in Roads Dept spending**
- **Increased charges for cemeteries and cremation**

Instead of refusing to pass the budget and arguing with the Tories for more money, the Labour councillors are prepared to shut schools and old folks homes, raise rents and council tax, and cut public services. We say: *If you haven't got the guts to stand up and fight the Tories — RESIGN!*

We are fed up with the Labour Party feathering its own nest, while ordinary people suffer. Don't wait till it's too late! Fight back now!

**You can like him
or you can loath him
but you cant *ignore* him.**

**Don't miss the chance to
hear *Tommy Sheridan* speak
at our**



PUBLIC MEETING

on the council cuts and school closures

*Tuesday 21st May
in Netherton School
7:30pm*

**Evelyn Sharkey will speak on
behalf of Action for Netherton**

Also invited to speak:
**Councillor Eddie Devine
Lord Provost Pat Lally
John Maxton MP**

*Now the school is safe Action for Netherton have
other plans to get shops and amenities for the
area. Come and hear our ideas and join us to
improve the area.*

Don't miss this vital meeting!

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